

(c) and (d). CIDCO are bearing the full cost. The question of repayment does not arise.

**News-item titled "flight diverted for official"**

\*229. SHRI KAMLA PRASAD SINGH :  
SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the news-item titled "flight diverted for official" appearing in the Hindustan Times of 2 January, 1987;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of steps taken to check recurrence of such incidents ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The News-item is mainly about the alleged unscheduled landing at Pantnagar on the 30th December, 1986. The news item is not based on facts as Vayudoot flight No. PF-104 for 30th December, 1986, had been re-scheduled by Vayudoot some days in advance on operational and commercial considerations, as had also been done on five occasions earlier in the month in question. Whenever aircraft are re-scheduled passengers are kept duly informed.

(c) Does not arise.

**Production of Coaches at ICF Kopurthala**

\*231. SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR :  
SHRI PRAKASH CHANDRA :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) Whether the Integral Coach Factory which was established at Husainpur village near Kapurthala in Punjab has commenced its production of railway carriages;

(b) if so, the number of railway carriages produced so far by this factory;

(c) whether this factory is planning to produce plastic coaches instead of wooden coaches for the Railways; and

(d) if so, the reasons thereof and how far it will be useful in comparison to wooden carriages ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

**Prophylaxis Programme**

\*232. SHRI AJOY BISWAS : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount spent on prophylaxis programme to prevent blindness among the children due to vitamin 'A' deficiency during 1986-87;

(b) the number of children covered under this programme during the above period; and

(c) the future programme of Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) An estimated expenditure of Rs. 219.00 lakhs will be incurred on the scheme of prophylaxis against blindness due to Vitamin 'A' deficiency, during 1986-87.

(b) and (c). Upto the end of December 1986, 19.9 million children have been covered. The scheme is being progressively expanded to give 100% coverage to all susceptible children by the year 1990.

[Translation]

**Supply of Food Packets in Trains**

\*233. SHRI KALI PRASAD PANDEY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :